



# 2020 Newlyweds Statistics

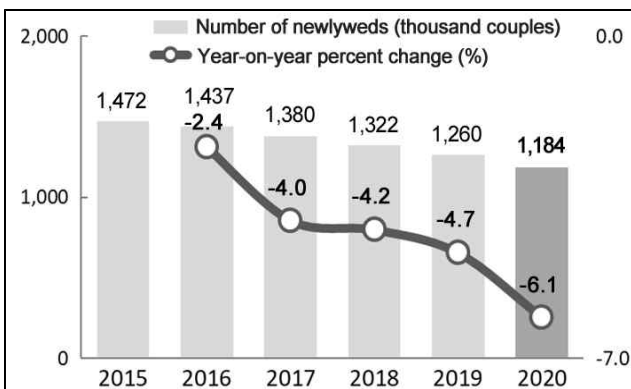
## Overview

- ◇ In 2020, the newlyweds totaled 1.184 million couples, dropping by 6.1% (76 thousand couples) from 2019.
- ◇ The newlyweds in the first year of marriage dropped by 9.4% (22 thousand couples) from 2019. The lower marriage period, the lower share of newlyweds among the total newlyweds.

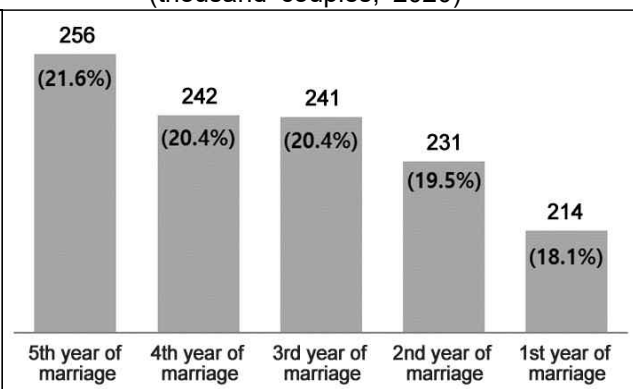
- As of November 1, 2020, the newlyweds residing in the nation after reporting their marriage within the recent 5 years recorded 1.184 million couples, which fell by 6.1% from 2019.

\* Year-on-year percent change in newlyweds:  $\triangle 2.4\%$  (2016)  $\rightarrow \triangle 4.0\%$  (2017)  $\rightarrow \triangle 4.2\%$  (2018)  $\rightarrow \triangle 4.7\%$  (2019)  $\rightarrow \triangle 6.1\%$  (2020)

< Trends in newlyweds (thousand couples) >



< Newlyweds by marriage period (thousand couples, 2020) >



### ○ (By marriage period)

Compared to 2019, newlyweds in the first year of marriage dropped by 9.4% (22 thousand couples). Among the total newlyweds, newlyweds in the first year of marriage occupied the lowest share at 18.1%.

- Newlyweds in the fifth year of marriage occupied the highest share at 21.6%. Newlyweds in the first year of marriage occupied the lowest share at 18.1%. The lower marriage period, the lower share of newlyweds.

\* Share of newlyweds by marriage period: (5th year of marriage) 21.6% > (4th year of marriage) 20.4% > (3rd year of marriage) 20.4% > (2nd year of marriage) 19.5% > (1st year of marriage) 18.1%

### ○ (By marriage type)

Couples at first marriage occupied 79.2% of the total newlyweds. Couples at remarriage occupied 20.5% of the total newlyweds, down 0.1%p from 20.6% in 2019.

○ **(By province)**

The largest share of newlyweds resided in Gyeonggi (28.8%). Compared to 2019, all 17 metropolitan cities and provinces showed a decrease in the number of newlyweds.

※ Share of newlyweds residing in Seoul Capital Area (Seoul, Incheon and Gyeonggi): 53.2% in 2020 (up 0.5%p from 52.7% in 2019)

□ **(Cohabitation status)**

90.7% of newlyweds at first marriage lived together. 82.1% of newlyweds at remarriage lived together.

▪ **Children and child care of couples at first marriage**

◇ The share of newlyweds at first marriage with a child stood at 55.5%, down 2.0%p from 57.5% in 2019.

◇ As for the average number of children, single income newlyweds (0.76 person) showed a higher figure than dual income newlyweds (0.60 person). Couples with a housing unit (0.76 person) showed a higher figure than those without a housing unit (0.62 person).

◇ Regarding child care of children aged 5 or less in full, 'Day care centers' marked the highest share at 48.5%. Among dual income couples, 'Day care centers' occupied the largest share at 53.2%. Among single income couples, 'Home care' occupied the largest share at 49.0%.

□ Among newlyweds at first marriage, couples with a child took up 55.5% in 2020, falling by 2.0%p from 57.5% in 2019. The average number of children of newlyweds at first marriage stood at 0.68 person.

□ As for couples in the 3rd, 4th and 5th year of marriage, the share of couples with a child (59.4%) was higher than that of couples without a child (40.6%).

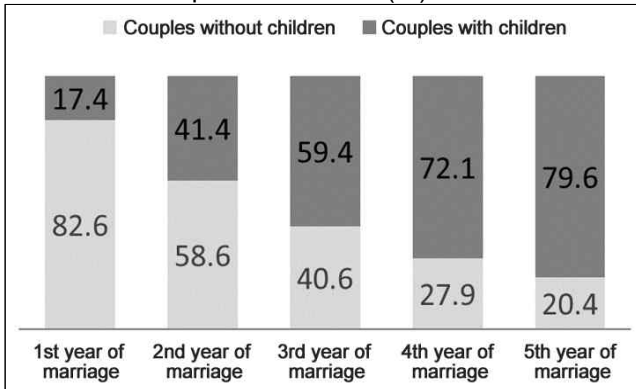
\* Share of newlyweds at first marriage with a child  
(1st year of marriage) 17.4% > (2nd year of marriage) 41.4% > (3rd year of marriage) 59.4% > (4th year of marriage) 72.1% > (5th year of marriage) 79.6%

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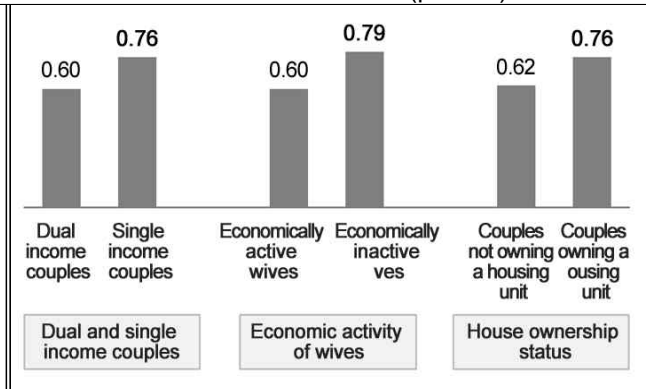
- As for the average number of children, couples with economically inactive wives (0.79 person) showed a higher figure than couples with economically active wives (0.60 person).

- As for the average number of children, couples owning a housing unit (0.76 person) showed a higher figure than those not owning a housing unit (0.62 person).

< Status of children by marriage period in 2020 (%) >



< Average number of children by characteristics in 2020 (person) >



- As for child care (632 thousand children aged 5 or less in full) of newlyweds at first marriage, 'Day care centers' occupied the largest share at 48.5%, which fell by 1.8%p from 2019.
- Among dual income couples, 'Day care centers' (53.2%) showed a greater share than 'Home care' (40.3%). Among single income couples, 'Home care' (49.0%) showed a greater share than 'Day care centers' (44.6%).

### ▪ Economic activity of couples at first marriage

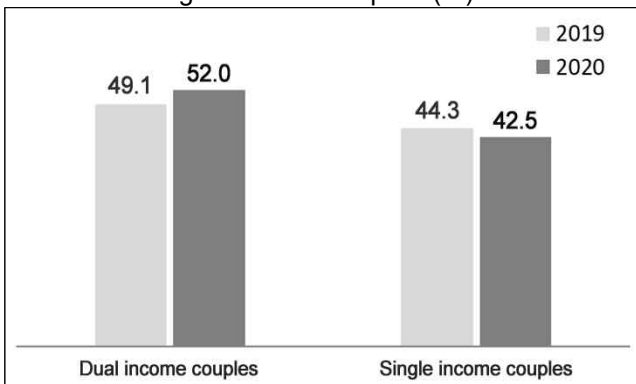
- ◇ Dual income couples occupied 52.0% of the total newlyweds, rising by 2.9%p from 2019.
- ◇ The annual average income of newlyweds totaled 59.89 million won, rising by 4.9% compared to 2019.
- ◇ Newlyweds with loans from financial institutions accounted for 87.5% of the total newlyweds. The median value of loans from financial institutions stood at 132.58 million won.

### □ (Dual and single income couples)

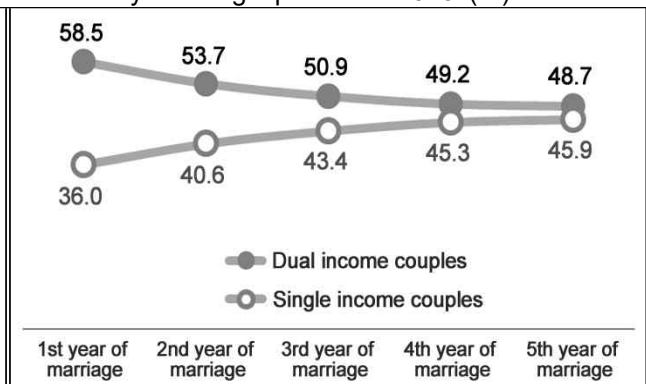
As of October 2020, dual income newlyweds recorded 487 thousand couples, which took up 52.0% of the total newlyweds at first marriage. This share went up by 2.9%p from 49.1% in 2019.

- In 2020, for the first time, in all marriage periods, the share of dual income couples was higher than that of single income couples.

< Trends in the share of dual and single income couples (%) >



< Share of dual and single income couples by marriage period in 2020 (%) >

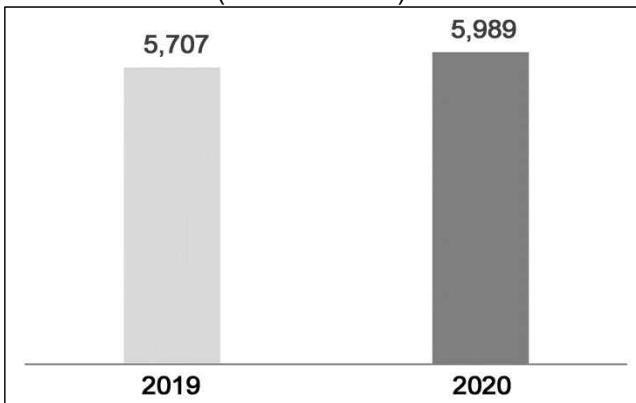


**(Income)**

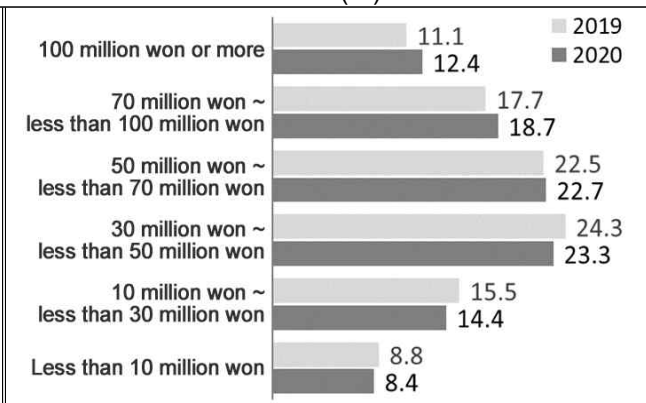
The annual average income (employee income + self-employment income) of newlyweds marked 59.89 million won, rising by 4.9% from 2019. The median value of income stood at 53.00 million won, rising by 3.7% from 2019.

- Newlyweds earning '30 million ~ less than 50 million won' occupied the largest share at 23.3%.
- The annual average income of dual income newlyweds (77.09 million won) was 1.7 times higher than that of single income ones (45.33 million won). The annual average income of newlyweds owning a housing unit (67.10 million won) was 1.2 times higher than that of newlyweds not owning a housing unit (54.64 million won).

< Trend in annual average income (thousand won) >



< Share of newlyweds by annual average income (%) >

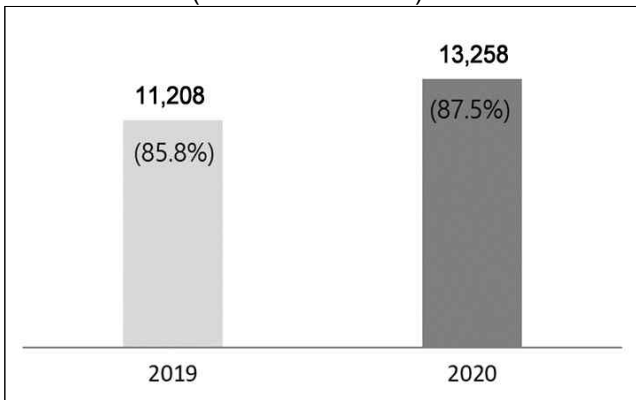


**(Loans from financial institutions)**

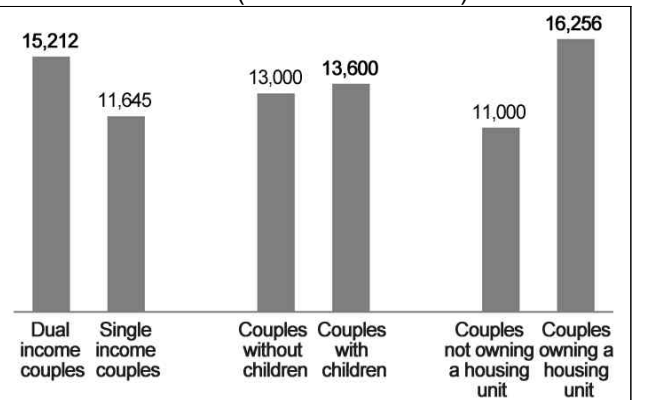
Newlyweds with loans from financial institutions occupied 87.5% of the total newlyweds. The median value of loans from financial institutions stood at 132.58 million won, which grew by 18.3% from 2019.

- Newlyweds with loans from financial institutions of '100 million won - less than 200 million won' occupied the highest share at 32.6%.
- The median value of loans from financial institutions for dual income newlyweds (152.12 million won) was 1.3 times higher than that for single income newlyweds (116.45 million won). The median value of loans from financial institutions for newlyweds owning a housing unit (162.56 million won) was 1.5 times higher than that for newlyweds not owning a housing unit (110.00 million won).

< Trend in the median value of loans (10 thousand won) >



< Median value of loans by characteristics in 2020 (10 thousand won) >



## ▪ Housing status of couples at first marriage

- ◇ The largest share of newlyweds (71.7%) resided in apartments, up 1.9%p from 2019.
- ◇ In 2020, 42.1% of newlyweds owned a housing unit, which fell by 0.8%p from 42.9% in 2019.

### □ (Type of living quarters)

In 2020, 71.7% of newlyweds at first marriage resided in apartments, rising by 1.9%p from 69.8% in 2019.

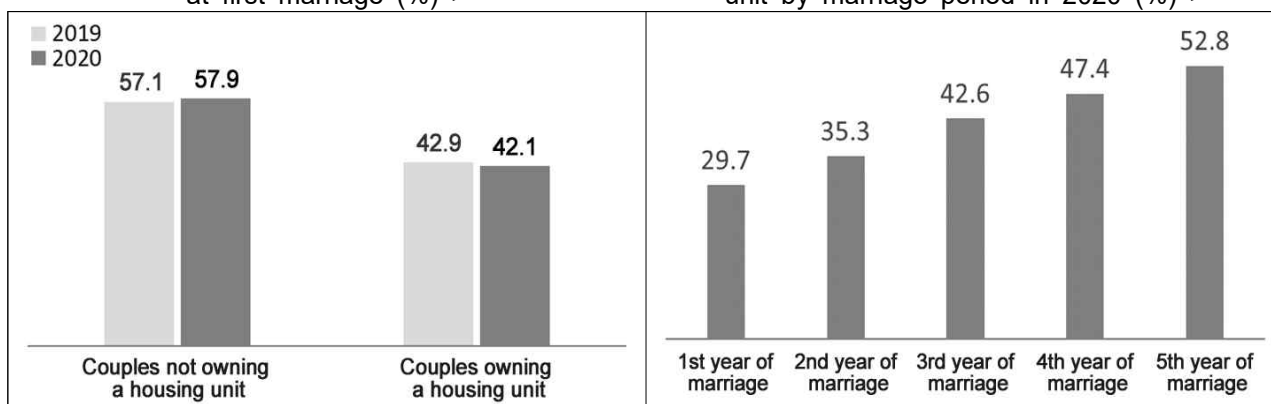
### □ (House ownership)

In 2020, 42.1% of newlyweds owned a housing unit, which decreased by 0.8%p from 42.9% in 2019.

- 29.7% of newlyweds in the first year of marriage owned a housing unit. 52.8% of newlyweds in the fifth year of marriage owned a housing unit. The longer marriage period, the higher share of newlyweds owning a housing unit.

< House ownership status of newlyweds at first marriage (%) >

< Share of newlyweds owning a housing unit by marriage period in 2020 (%) >



## ▪ Newlyweds within 7 years of marriage

- ◇ In 2020, the newlyweds within 7 years of marriage marked 1.714 million couples, which fell by 5.4% from 2019.
- ◇ Couples with a child occupied 67.1% of the total newlyweds within 7 years of marriage. Their average number of children stood at 0.98 person.
- ◇ Among the total newlyweds within 7 years of marriage, dual and single income couples occupied 48.3% and 44.4%, respectively. Couples owning a housing unit took up 48.2%.

### □ (Overview)

As of November 1, 2020, the newlyweds residing in the nation after reporting their marriage within the recent 7 years recorded 1.714 million couples, which fell by 5.4% from 2019.

- The number of newlyweds within 7 years of marriage was 530 thousand couples higher than that of newlyweds within 5 years of marriage (1.184 million couples).

**(Status of children)**

Among newlyweds within 7 years of marriage, couples with children took up 67.1% in 2020, falling by 1.4%p from 68.5% in 2019. Their average number of children was 0.98 person.

- The share of newlyweds within 7 years of marriage with children (59.1%) was 8.0%p higher than that of newlyweds within 5 years of marriage with children. The average number of children of newlyweds within 7 years of marriage was 0.17 person higher than that of children of newlyweds within 5 years of marriage (0.81 person).

**(Dual and single income couples)**

As of October 2020, dual income couples took up 48.3% of the total newlyweds within 7 years of marriage. This share was 3.9%p higher than that of single income couples (44.4%).

- The share of dual income couples within 7 years of marriage was 0.7%p lower than that of dual income couples within 5 years of marriage (49.0%).

**(House ownership)**

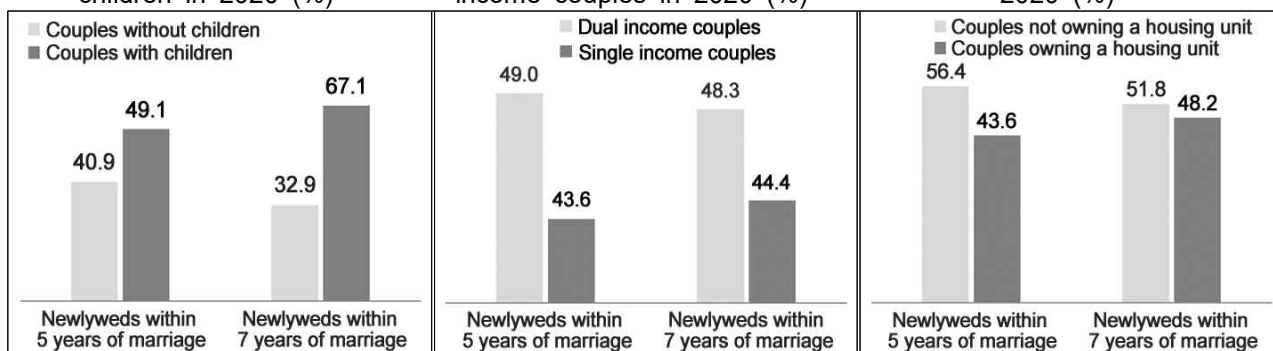
As of November 1, 2020, newlyweds within 7 years of marriage owning a housing unit occupied 48.2%, down 0.4%p from 48.6% in 2019.

- The share of newlyweds within 7 years of marriage owning a housing unit was 4.6%p higher than that of newlywedswithin 5 years of marriage (43.6%).

< Share of newlyweds with children in 2020 (%) >

< Share of dual and single income couples in 2020 (%) >

< House ownership status in 2020 (%) >



< Major indicators of newlyweds in 2020 >

(Unit: couples, persons, %)

Classification		Total <sup>1)</sup>		Newlyweds at first marriage		Newlyweds at remarriage	
			Share		Share		Share
Number of newlyweds		1,183,750	100.0	938,080	100.0	243,083	100.0
Marriage period	5th year of marriage	256,055	21.6	206,585	22.0	49,222	20.2
	4th year of marriage	241,544	20.4	192,691	20.5	48,385	19.9
	3rd year of marriage	241,248	20.4	190,750	20.3	50,024	20.6
	2nd year of marriage	230,637	19.5	179,905	19.2	49,938	20.5
	1st year of marriage	214,266	18.1	168,149	17.9	45,514	18.7
Children <sup>2)</sup>	Couples without children	483,988	40.9	417,741	44.5	64,483	26.5
	Couples with children	699,762	59.1	520,339	55.5	178,600	73.5
	1 child	476,874	40.3	409,691	43.7	66,515	27.4
	2 children	189,551	16.0	106,652	11.4	82,776	34.1
	3 children or more	33,337	2.8	3,996	0.4	29,309	12.1
	Average number of children per couple (person)	0.81		0.68		1.35	
Economic activities	Dual income couples	580,089	49.0	487,423	52.0	92,058	37.9
	Single income couples	516,083	43.6	398,533	42.5	116,063	47.7
	Others <sup>3)</sup>	87,578	7.4	52,124	5.6	34,962	14.4
Living quarters	Detached houses	182,743	15.4	114,116	12.2	67,791	27.9
	Apartments	799,088	67.5	672,895	71.7	125,126	51.5
	Row houses	22,549	1.9	16,293	1.7	6,194	2.5
	Apartment units in a private house	117,345	9.9	87,912	9.4	29,019	11.9
	Others <sup>4)</sup>	62,026	5.2	46,866	5.0	14,955	6.2
House ownership status	Couples not owning a housing unit	667,269	56.4	543,184	57.9	122,211	50.3
	Couples owning a housing unit	516,481	43.6	394,896	42.1	120,872	49.7
	1 unit	421,381	35.6	332,699	35.5	88,066	36.2
	2 units	74,869	6.3	50,727	5.4	24,065	9.9
	3 units or more	20,231	1.7	11,470	1.2	8,741	3.6

Note 1) Including 'Unidentified'

2) Total number of children based on wives (including children from the previous marriage)

3) Jobless couples, household care, etc.

4) Houses within a commercial building, studio apartments, etc.